

we could, please. We had more votes the other way.

PRESIDENT: I thought maybe you would like to take it in reverse order this time. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 29 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further.

PRESIDENT: Senator Johanns, please.

SENATOR JOHANNs: Mr. President, I move that a committee of five be appointed to advise the Governor that the Ninetieth Legislature, Second Session, of the Nebraska State Legislature is about to complete its work and to return with any message the Governor may have for the Legislature.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The committee...the question is, shall a committee be appointed? All those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It carries and the members to report to the Governor are Senator Beyer, Senator Johanns, Senator Pirsch, Senator Chizek and Senator Scofield. Would you please go to the Governor's office and escort her to the Chamber? Sergeant-at-Arms.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Mr. President, it gives me pleasure to introduce the Governor of the State of Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Ladies and gentlemen, Kay A. Orr, Governor of the State of Nebraska.

GOVERNOR KAY ORR: Thank you. Thank you. Mr. President and Mr. Speaker and ladies and gentlemen of the Legislature, for the past two years we have worked very hard to turn this state around and I believe that we're traveling on the road to excellence. It's not been easy nor will it be easy in the future. It's a tough road but one that I think is worth traveling. It was somebody else who said the great thing in the world, in this world, is not so much where we are but in which direction we are moving. So, as we continue this journey together, let us hope that the good Lord will grant us wisdom when we are at the crossroads, patience when we are on the long road, endurance on the hard road and the common sense to turn around when we are on the wrong road. And I would like to take